

ABSTRACT

The project forecasts the reactions of various world religions to the future reception of extraterrestrial messages. Set in Houston, Texas in the year 2050, a total of twelve scenarios examine how Islamic, Christian, and Hindu clergy might react to three different types of extraterrestrial messages: a simple existential message, a message indicating an extraterrestrial belief in God, and a message indicating extraterrestrial atheism. The twelve scenarios are divided into four sets of three scenarios. For any given set, three trends chosen from separate Social, Technological, Economic, Environmental, and Political categories act as the change-drivers for the social background of the set's three scenarios. A research summary provides additional insights into the research topic.